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Inventors: Michael S. Popovich et al. )

Title: Cartridge Strip Advancing )  
Mechanism For Fastener )  
Driving Tool )

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Dated: January 13, 2004

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**LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL OF  
FORMAL CORRECTED DRAWINGS**

Sir,

Please accept the enclosed eleven (11) formal corrected sheets of drawings, sheets 1/11 through 11/11 to replace the informal drawings originally filed with patent application Ser. No. 10/653,038. The corrected formal drawings do not constitute new matter under 35 U.S.C. § 132 because they merely correct errors and informalities in the drawings as filed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated this 13th day of January, 2004.

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Sir,

Submitted herewith are the following documents to complete the filing of utility patent application SN 10/653,038. This response is timely, within two months of the date of the Notice to File Missing Parts, dated 11/25/03. The documents included with this response are:

1. Transmittal Form
2. Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
3. Declarations And Power of Attorney For Patent Application, 37 CFR 1.63
4. Assignment of Rights, Title and Interest in Invention
5. Fee Transmittal with fee payments totaling \$940.00 including:
  - Statutory Basic Filing Fee of \$770.00,
  - Fee for Filing Oath or Declaration Late of \$130.00
  - Assignment Recordation Fee of \$40.00
6. Letter of Transmittal of Corrected Formal Drawings
7. 11 Sheets of Formal Drawings – Sheets 1/11 through 11/11
8. Information Disclosure Statement and copies of Cited References
9. Return Receipt Postcard

"Response To Notice To File Missing Parts"

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Dated this 13th day of January, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michael Mischnick", written over a horizontal line.

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CONFIRMATION NO. 1541

## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

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- **\$770** Statutory basic filing fee.
- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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## Complete if Known

Application Number	10/653,038
Filing Date	08/29/2003
First Named Inventor	Michael S. POPOVICH
Examiner Name	
Group Art Unit	3721
Attorney Docket No.	13818.71

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106 330	206 165	Design filing fee	
107 510	207 255	Plant filing fee	
108 740	208 370	Reissue filing fee	
114 160	214 80	Provisional filing fee	

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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
14	-20** = 0	0.00	0.00
1	-3** = 0	0.00	0.00
Multiple Dependent		0.00	0.00

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	130.00
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 400	216 200	Extension for reply within second month	
117 920	217 460	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,440	218 720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,960	228 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 320	219 160	Notice of Appeal	
120 320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 280	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,280	241 640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,280	242 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 460	243 230	Design issue fee	
144 620	244 310	Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126 180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
146 740	246 370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 740	249 370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 740	279 370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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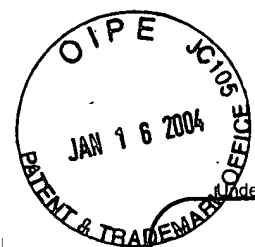
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Signature	Michael Mischnick	Date	01/13/2004		

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<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b>  (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	10/653,038	
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	First Named Inventor	Michael S. POPOVICH	
	Art Unit	3721	
	Examiner Name		
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